# **PFGE/Food Microbiology**

## Clostridium botulinum (Botulism) Bacterial ID, Toxin, and Serology Testing

Consultation with laboratory required prior to referral.

Specimen Requirements: Suspect food, 10 mL serum, and 25 gm stool. Call the laboratory for consultation on sending specimens. An epidemiologic consultation is required, and to make arrangements for receiving antitoxin.

Food testing performed at MTPHL.

Human testing referred to the Utah State Public Health Laboratory in Salt Lake City, UT.

Turn Around Time: Preliminary results in 2 to 4 working days.

CPT Code: None Price: Fee Waived\*

Transport Temperature: Contact the laboratory

## **DNA Fingerprinting (see Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis)**

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#### **Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis (for Enterics)**

Specimen Requirements: Send Salmonella spp., Shigella spp., toxin-producing E. coli, Listeria spp., and Vibrio isolates on solid media or on swab in Cary-Blair transport medium.

\*Testing is performed at no cost for epidemiological purposes.

For public health surveillance, please submit all isolates of *Salmonella spp., Shigella spp.*, toxin-producing *E. coli, Listeria spp.*, and *Vibrio. Campylobacter spp.* isolates are also encouraged when multiple isolates are identified.

CPT Code: None Price: Fee Waived\*

Transport Temperature: Ambient

### Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis (for other organisms)

Specimen Requirements: Send non-fastidious Gram negative rods or Gram positive isolates on solid media or on swab in Cary-Blair transport medium.

NOTE: Minimum of 3 isolates required. Please contact the laboratory in advance regarding availability of testing for that isolate, and for the necessary number of isolates.

CPT Codes: 83890 (molecular extraction)

Price: \$34.50

83892 (enzymatic digestion)

Price: \$26.50

83894 (enzymatic separation by gel electrophoresis)

Price: \$26.50

83912 (interpretation and report)

Price: \$26.50

Total Price: \$114.00 per isolate

Transport Temperature: Ambient